

5. (Amended) Apparatus as claimed in Claim 1, characterized by a control unit connected to the motor of the vortex generator and to the suction means in order to control these two means as a function in one another.

6. (Amended) Apparatus as claimed in Claim 1, characterized in that the flotation means is formed by floats supporting the enclosure and the vortex generator.

7. (Amended) Apparatus as claimed in Claim 6, characterized in that the connection between the floats and the enclosure is adjustable in order to adjust the depth of immersion of the inlet of the enclosure as a function of the thickness of the slick of product to be recovered.

--8. Apparatus as claimed in Claim 4, characterized by a control unit connected to the motor of the vortex generator and to the suction means in order to control these two means as a function in one another.--

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

--"Method and apparatus for recovery of a slick floating on the surface of a liquid"

Method and apparatus for recovery of the product forming a slick floating on the surface of the water such as an oil slick. The apparatus comprises a recovery head formed by an enclosure having in the upper part an inlet for the product to be recovered and in the lower part an outlet for the recovered product, as well as a vortex generator which creates in the enclosure a dynamic vortex which descends in the enclosure as far as its outlet; a flotation means which supports the enclosure